

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/934,189	08/21/2001	Jean J.G. Rutten	P-9282.00

CONFIRMATION NO. 7721

## FORMALITIES LETTER



\*OC000000006784910\*

Girma Wolde-Michael  
Medtronic, Inc.  
MS 301  
7000 Central Avenue NE  
Minneapolis, MN 55432

Date Mailed: 09/25/2001

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

Customer Service Center  
Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

01/10/2002 BABRAHA1 00000105 132546 09934189

01 FC:105 130.00 CH

DOCKET NO.: P/9282

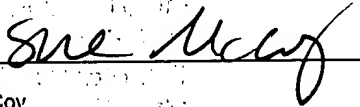
JAN 07 2002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**MISSING PARTS TRANSMITTAL**

In re Application of: Rutherford  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPARTING CURVES IN ELONGATED IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS  
Serial No.: 09/934,189  
Filed: August 21, 2001

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:** I hereby certify that this **MISSING PARTS** and the paper(s), as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as first class mail, addressed to the Box Missing Parts, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this 5th day of November, 2001.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Sue McCoy  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Box Missing Parts  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- ☒ Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Part 2
- ☒ Return Postcard

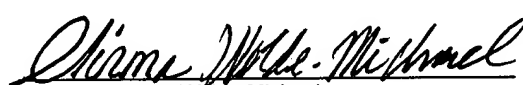
☒ Please charge Missing Parts surcharge of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

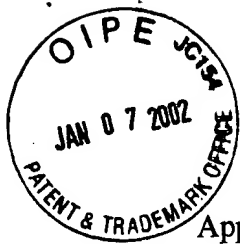
☐ Applicant hereby petitions for a \_\_\_\_\_ months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Missing Parts Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

11/05/01  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Girma Wolde-Michael  
Reg. No. 36,724  
MEDTRONIC, INC.  
#27581  
Telephone: (763) 514-6402



PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Rutten et al.	)	Docket: P-9282.00
	)	
Serial No.: 09/934,189	)	Group Art: 3735
	)	
Filed: August 21, 2001	)	Examiner:
	)	
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	)	
IMPARTING CURVES IN	)	
ELONGATED IMPLANTABLE	)	
MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS	)	

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

BOX MISSING PARTS  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated September 25, 2001. Please find enclosed the following documents to complete the filing requirements for the above-identified application:

1. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application; and
3. \$130.00 surcharge (charged to Deposit Account No. 13-2546).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130.00, as well as any deficiencies, and credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTTEN ET AL.

By his attorneys,

Atty: Girma Wolde-Michael

Reg. No. 36,724

#27581

(763) 514-6402

11/05/01  
Date